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## BOERS ARE MOVING SOUTH.

REPORTED ADVANCING TO GIVE BATTLE TO GEN. ROBERTS.

Fight Expected at Brandfort - Kruger Said to Have Boasted That Bloemfontein Would Be Retaken in a Week - Roberts opens the Railway Line to Cape Town Early Move Toward Pretoria Expected. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 30.-There is no indication of the probable duration of the delay in the British advance against the Boers A telegram from Springfontein announces that the main railway from the coast to Bloemfontein was reopened to traffic on Wednesday, a track having been laid across the Bethulie wagon bridge. The low level bridge at Norval's Pont was ampleted on Tuesday, enabling cars to cross the Orange River. Direct rail communication being thus opened with Port Elizabeth and Cape Town, it is assumed in some quarters that the necessary supplies will soon be accumuand at Bloemfontein, and that an early advance may be expected.

The correspondents with Gen. Roberts meanwhile report a southward movement by the Boers, though their statements are not very definite. The Morning Post's correspondent says it appears probable that the Boers are advancing southward in force after having leen reenforced by the commandos which trekked north by way of Commissie and Ladybrand. They will probably fight at Brandtfort. the correspondent adds that the Boer leaders are disseminating wild reports regarding foreign assistance. Fifteen thousand Russians are said to be advancing on Bloemfontein, which place President Krüger boasts he will n earture in a week.

The source of the correspondents' information is not stated, and though some of the despatches appear to indicate that the force moving southward is commanded by Commandant Olivier, no mention is made of him, and the only direct reference to him is contained in a curious telegram sent from Aliwal North yesterday, which says that Commandant Olivier is now evidently moving south, and that he is being closely watched by Sir Godfrey Lagden, the resident commissioner in Basutoland, who is in communication with Gen. French.

Whether the word south in the foregoing ought to be north or whether Commandant Olivier has a force strong enough to continue operations in the eastern part of the Free State cannot be said, but it is perhaps significant that Gen. Brabant has returned to Aliwal North from Knoxville and is now engaged in holding the southern frontier of the Free State. He is sending detachments to strengthen the positions which have been oc-

A despatch from Carnarvon describes everything as being quiet in the Vosburg and Prieska districts. The rebels there surrendered their arms to Gen. Kitchener. The Transvaal Boers left before Gen. Kitchener arrived. It is added that the rebellion has subsided. How far this is true of the whole country west of Kimberley is not known. It is stated from Kimberley that the troops have been recalled from the Barkly West district on imperative orders from Gen. Roberts, and that the Boers have reoccupied Campbell.

Alater telegram from Maseru, Basutoland. confirms the idea that the Boers are still in strong force at Ladybrand. They are retaining the positions in the Platberg Mountains, which they occupied when they compelled Col. Pilcher to evacuate. Their pickets have been advancing in every direction. Some are watching the Basutoland side closely probably believing that troops are coming from that direction

There is no news from British sources concerning Mafeking, but Pretoria reports that the place was bombarded for seven hours on Tuesday, the garrison replying. The Boers say they suffered no casualties.

Mr. Michael Davitt, the well-known Irish Nationalist, acting as a newspaper correspondent, has gone to Kroonstad.

# BOER GUNS HIDDEN IN GRAVES.

### What Gen. Clements Found at Fauresmith-The Attack on Pilcher.

Loxpon, March 29,-Gen, Lord Roberts in a despatch to the War Office, dated Bloemfontein yesterday, confirms the report of the occupation of Fauresmith by Gen. Clements and the discovery of guns and ammunition which the Boers had hidden in a well and in three alleged

Lord Roberts says the enemy attacked Col. Pilcher while he was leaving Ladybrand on March 26. One Hussar was wounded and five

The Australian regiment which is accompanying Gen. Clements, though travelling without tents, is fully equal to all emergencies, The Australians are receiving a hearty welcome, especially in towns where there are English or descendants of English among the population. The Boers kept up a heavy fire at Warrenton all day Thursday, but without effect. The British had three men slightly

# ENCAPE OF OLIVIER'S 6,000

Pretoria Notified That the Commando Is Sixty Miles North of Bloemfontein.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LORENZO MARQUES, March 28.-The Standard and Diggers' News of Johannesburg prints the Health Board in regard to the matter of quar-

"PRETORIA, March 26,-Field Cornet Marais received the following telegram concerning Olivier's commando yesterday: 'Whole commando, 6,000 strong, has arrived at a place of safety. Address letters to Smalldeel. All

"A second telegram states that Capt. Ganetzi and a corps of 100 Russian scouts reconnoitred between the British patrols and the Sunday's River camp, capturing a wagon and ten mules.

Small leel is about sixty miles northeast of Blo-miontein, on the railroad which connects that town with Kroonstad.

## DUKE OF NORFOLK RESIGNS. Gives Up the Office of Postmaster-General

to Go to the Front. Special Cable Desputch to THE SUN LONDON, March 29.-In the House of Commons this evening Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, the Government leader, announced that the Dake of Norfolk, who will shortly go to South Africa as an officer of the Suesex yeomanry, had resigned his office of Postmaster-General, and

that the resignation had been accepted. The Standard says it learns that the Marquis of Londonderry will be appointed Postmaster-General in succession to the Duke of Norfolk.

LADYSMITH, March 29. - The Mayor of Ladysmith asked Gen. Buller to present the Boer 'Long Toms" to the city as a memento of the siege. Gen. Buller replied that he would be pleased to grant the request as soon as the guns were captured.

St. PETERSBURG, March 29.—The Irish resi dents of this city have subscribed 1,000 rubles to the London Lord Mayor's fund for the benefit of the widows and orphans of British sol-

# CAUSE OF ROBERTS'S DELAY.

The "Times" Correspondent Points Out the Need of Careful Preparation.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, March 29.-The correspondent of the Times, telegraphing from Bloemfontein under yesterday's date, says:

"The present halt is absolutely necessary as a military precaution, remembering that we are entering on a new phase of operations and that our lines of communication are through a recently occupied hostile country, while our recent successes necessitated a great expenditure of horse power. If we move at the commencement of winter we must prepare to face the effect of the frost on the horses, and it would be suicidal to push troops forward until they are equipped to meet the exposure of winter.

"The latest intelligence is that some force of the enemy, which has been resquipped, has moved slightly southward. "I am told by the Government that 15,000 foreigners have landed at Delagoa Bay to

help the two republies." Negotiable securities of the value of \$2.500 .-000 have been found in the Free State Government chest at Bloemfontein.

### THE TRANSVAAL'S INDEPENDENCE President Kruger Republishes Secretary of State Fish's Despatch of 1871.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. From THE SUN'S Correspondent at Pretoria PRETORIA, March 29, 2:15 P. M., Via Lorenzo Marques, March 29.-For the general information of the public President Krüger has caused to be published officially a despatch which was received Feb. 14, 1871, from Mr. Hamilton Fish, who was then Secretary of State of the United States. The despatch be-

"I have the honor to inform you through the United States Consul at Cape Town of the receipt of documents, showing the acknowledgment of the independence of the Transvaal Republic by England, France, Holland and Belgium, by the President of the United States. I am requested to state that in recognition of the independence and sovereignty of the the correspondence that has passed between the independence and sovereignty of the them would make interesting reading. At Transvaal Republic this Government now have twenty letters were sent from the Grand cordially joins. It will always be ready to least twenty letters were sent from the Grand adopt any measure which may be incident to such a proceeding."

In conclusion Mr. Fish said: "I avail myself

of this opportunity to extend my best wishes has it that Foreman Putnam wrote to Col. for the prosperity of your republic."

# He Has to Go to the Contagious Ward of Ithaca Hospital Instead of His Patient.

ITHACA, N. Y., March 29.-The joke perpetrated by Dr. Eadie on the Health Board of Ithaca may result more seriously than was at first expected. Dr. Eadle differed from the antining the houses where suspected diphtheria patients were residing during the recent epidemic here, and would not respect the rules demic here, and would not respect the rules laid down by the board. He objected to the quarantine which the board out on the house where one of his patients was dwelling, because, he said, his patient had entirely recovered from the disease. The Health Board ordered a culture to be made and sent to the laboratory of Cornell University to be examined. Eatle did not wish to do this, because, he said, that his patient was too nervous to endure it.

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Accordingly, he took the culture from his own throat and sent that to Prof. Moore of the department of medicine. Moore said the culture contained diphtheria germs and the Health Board ordered Eadle to subject his patient to the quarantine. Then Eadle told the board that the culture came from his own throat and said that the test which the board had been applying was useless. The board, however, said that the person from whose throat the germs came did have diphtheria and ordered him to the contagious ward of the City Hospital. Eadle objected and took counsel with lawyers Tompkins and Cobb of this city. They advised him to go out of the hospital as soon as possible without consulting the authorities of the Board of Health. He compiled with their advice, and in an interview to-night said that he was exposed to all contagous diseases white in the ward and that if he should become afflicted with any of them, it would go hard with the men who were responsible for his confinement in the hospital.

The Health Board refused to state to-night whether they would take any steps to force Fadle to obey their orders or not, and the doctor's lawyers will keep quiet until the board does take some action. If the board allows Eadle to go at large, it will be practically admitting that the test which they have set up was a useless one and will mean that Dr. Moore of the medical department of Cornell does not know his business.

### It Was Mrs. Hoagland Who Gave the \$155,000.

It has been learned that the person who gave \$155,000 to St. Bartholomew's Church to rect a new building for the clinic in connection with the church's mission is Mrs. Caroline C. Hagland, widow of Joseph C. Hagland, who had last December. The building to be erected on the ground next to St. Bartholomew's parish house in East Forty-second street will be a memorial to Mrs. Hoagland's husband.

Gardiner, It's Said - Three Charges

Against Thomas-He Wont Be Suspended The March Grand Jury indicted Police Captain Thomas yesterday for not closing Tenderloin dives, and will end its labors to-day and be discharged for the term by Recorder Goff in Part I. of the General Sessions.

The programme for to-day, it was said yesterday, includes the filing of presentments against Chief of Police Devery and District Attorney Gardiner. The future is always uncertain, but such an event to-day would not surprise the District Attorney's office. Persons who ought to know something about the matter said that some of the members of the Grand Jury wanted to indict the District Attorney, but that other jurors stood out against it. This Grand Jury has not got along well with Col. Gardiner. It is stated that when he went before them with the Third Avenue Railroad matter he was "turned down" and told that the Grand Jury didn't wish to listen to him. This case the Grand Jury has now dropped. Col. Gardiner started on his vice crusade, and proceeded against the dives of the Tenderloin. The Grand Jury in the meantime was pursuing a similar line independently of the District Attorney. However, he had subporns issued and witnesses called to testify that Police Captain Thomas had failed to suppress disorderly houses. That was a week ago. Then, according to rumor, the District Attorney was permitted to understand that the case against Thomas would be dropped, but the Grand Jury instead of dropping it gave the District Attorney a surprise by indicting Thomas yesterday.

There is no doubt whatever that the March Grand Jury and the District Attorney have been at odds ever since the first of the month, and the correspondence that has passed between Jury room to the District Attorney's office. One of the Grand Jury letter writers, it is said. was Foreman George Haven Putnam. Report Gardiner to the effect that the Grand Jury. for the prosperity of your republic."

PROTEST TO TURKEY AND FGYPT.

Loan of Maxim Guns to the British Objected to by the Boers.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.

Brussels, March 29.—On March 13 Dr.
Leyds, the Diplomatic Agent of the Transvasi, protested to the governments of Turkey and Egypt against their alleged action in loaning six Maxim guns to Great Britain. He determined the forman of the Grand Jury, sworn in for the month of March, knew its powers and did not want any advice from the District Attorney's office. Another letter, writer's name not stated, informed the world and whose opinion did not want any advice from the District Attorney is office. Another letter, writer's name not stated, informed the was a public servant whose opinion did not want any advice from the District Attorney is office. Another letter, writer's name not stated, informed the was a public servant whose opinion did not want any advice from the District Attorney, it is said, that 'be was a public servant whose opinion did down the law and said some harsh things concerning 'men who think they know it all.'

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A despatch to the Times from Yokohamasays that Russia is pressing Corea for the lease of a piece of land outside the settlement of Masampo, thus setting an example which, it is feared, the other Powers will follow.

The Times correspondent also says the Government is considering a new scheme for more warships, requiring an extra credit of many million roubles. The correspondent ascribes this action to the increases in the British and German navies.

MONUMENT TO CANAL SURVEYORS.

One to Be Erected on Scorpion Key on the San Bias Coast.

Special Coils Despatch to The Sun.

Colon, Colombia, March 29—The United States auxiliary gunboat Scorpion, which brought the American Canal Commission to this country, has arrived at Cartagena. Her captain has purchased a marble monument, which will be erected on Scorpion Key, on the San Bias coast, to commemorate the canal survey made by the expedition which came here in 1854 on the British warship Scorpion, and also the survey made by the present expedition.

RESULT OF A DOCTOR'S JOKE.

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when the Roosevelt board made him a captain.

The proprietors of three Tenderloin resorts pleaded not guilty to the charge of maintaining disorderly houses yeaterday before Recorder Goff and were held in \$1,000 bail each. They were Edward B. Corey of the Haymarket, Joseph Pussant of the Cairo and Demetrius Rakapoulos of the Bohemia. They were arrested early this week. Charles E. Ackron of the Tivoli, who has also been indicted, is ill, and two other indicted dive keepers are missing.

fling of the charges against Col. Gardiner. Mr. Deming argued that he had a right to show the moral and mental capacity or incapacity of the official under investigation.

"The moral capacity of the District Attorney has a decided bearing on this case," he said. "It will go to show what sort of a person it is who holds and abuses, as we think, his great office."

.Mr. Untermyer said that Col. Gardiner' mental and moral make-up suited a majority of 80,000 citizens in this county and that no one was ever elected in this or any other county or ever would be whose moral and mental make-up suited the City Club. "Who ever heard," he said, "of men being

allowed to manufacture evidence after the fact to support a claim that never had any founda-Commissioner Wilcox reserved his decision Mr. Deming called Judge Newburger and

sought to elicit that many excise cases that sought to elicit that many excise cases that came up before him were dismissed because the District Attorney was unable to produce any evidence. Mr. Untermyer interrupted to say that you couldn't get a conviction in an excise case in this country. "It's the result of hayseed legislation, making severe penalties for trifling off-nces," he said, "and New York juries won't stand for it." Judge Newburger said emphatically that he had an recollection of the District Attorney

CAPT. THOMAS INDICTED.

having abandoned a large number of cases and that it never struck him that an undue proportion of cases was brought into court by the District Attorney that should have been dismissed in his office.

"With Col. Gardiner." remarked Mr. Untermyer, "It's a case of he's dammed if he does not he's dammed if he doesn't. They want to make charges against the District Attorney for dismissing cases and charges for not dismissing them.

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The minutes of the court in which Judge Newberger sat in October, 1859, were read by Mr. Deming to show that court had constantly to be adjourned early in the day because the District Attorney hadn't cases ready. The record of fourteen days in the month when court closed earlier than usual was put in evidence by Mr. Deming. On cross-examination Judge Newburger said the calendars of October were normal and the early adjournments were due to unforeseen breakdowns in the calendar, due for the most part of pleus of guilty when trials were expected. Judge Newburger said further that it was almost impossible to secure convictions in excise cases, even when the evidence of violation of the law was perfectly clear and that he had frequently rebuked juries on this account.

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Here there was a sudden and startling interruption. Assistant District Attorney McIntyre, who had been examining some papers, leaned back in his chair and called out:

"Brandy! Brandy!"

Soveral men sitting near grabbed Mr. McIntyre and Col. Gardiner turned and said in an alarmed voice:

alarmed voice:
"What's the matter?" "What's the matter?"
"Nothing's the matter with me," said Mr.
McIntyre, testiv. "Let.go," to those who were
holding him; "I want Jim Brandy, the clerk."
Mr. Jim Brandy, the clerk, brought over
some papers and those around Mr. McIntyre
breathed sighs of relief.
An adjournment was taken until 2 o'clock
this afternoon.

## FIRE ALONGSIDE A SKYNCRAPER. Iron Shutters Save the "Mail and Express"

Building-"Journal" Supplements Ruined. A blaze ran through Michael & Co.'s printing shop on the three upper floors of the five-story building at 170 Fulton street about 6:30 last night, and for a while threatened the Mail and Express building towering over it next door. The fire started on the third floor and gained considerable headway through a slight delay in the arrival of the nearest fire engine, No. 20. from Chambers street, the horses of which balked on the way down. It was ten minutes

balked on the way down. It was ten minutes before any amount of water was poured on the blaze, which looked so threatening that a second alarm was sent out.

The flames sprang from the roof just as R. E. A. Dorr, President of the Mail and Express Association, came out of that building. He saw at once the danger to his own building and ran through it, seeing that the from shutters on the side nearest the flor were closed. The shutters probably averted a serious skyscraper fire. The three upper floors of the building at 170 were gutted, and Chief Croker estimated the loss at \$40,000.

The apparatus on the water tower broke while

was heard last fall of an effort to "beat Croker," the battlefield to be transferred to J. O. Brown, of the Department of Public Safety, next September's primaries. The political are prepared to step the play, Brown having that

Tuesday had convinced him and his friends that the only thing for him to do was to stir up trouble in every Assembly district or else to quit the game entirely.

There were Democratic fights in ten Assembly Districts in 1899. Only two were waged on Tuesday. One of these was the Sheehan fight and the other was in the Eleventh Assembly district, where John J. O'Brien, who fought Feter J. Deoling, the leader, in 1899, male a contest. Mr. O Brien got double the vote on Tuesday that he polied in September, polling 487 votes against 1,100 for Mr. Dooling. He intends to fight again in September and expects to get at least ore thousand votes and possibly to knock Mr. Dooling out.

The fight between the Hoffer and the Welde factions in the Thirty-first district will be renewed and others are contemplated. All of these fights will require the attention of the big leaders of Tammany Hall and it was missing.

GARDINER HEARING QUIETER.

A Loud Call for Brandy the Most Startling Incident Yesterday.

George Haven Putnam, foreman of the March Grand Jury, was called as a witness for the complainants at the Gardiner hearing yesterday. The object was to get on the record, through the witness, the stenographic report of the proceedings before Recorder Goff on March 15, when the Grand Jury appealed to the Recorder to keep the District Attorney out of the Grand Jury room while it examined Dr. Parkhurst and other witnesses. Mr. Untermyer objected because this happened after the filing of the charges against Col. Gardiner. Mr. throw the present leaders of Tammany Hall.

# ENRICHED BY A BANK FAILURE.

Chicago Profit by Real Estate's Rise. owned in Chicago and New York by the old Third National Bank, which failed during the panic of 1877, is to be put on the market shortly by Huntington W. Jackson, the receiver of the institution. for the purpose of closing up its affairs. The history of the Third National Bank affords one of the few instances in which everybody concerned "came out whole" from a bank faflure. cerned "came out whole" from a bank failure.

Not only were the depositors paid in full with
6 per cent interest less than two years after the
pante, but the stockholders who had "to make
good" the deposits were actually enriched by
the enormous increase in value of the real estate
part of the bank's assets. When the receiver
took charge in 1877 he found exactly 62 cents
in the vaults with which to meet liabilities of
8555,000. The entire assets now are estimated
as worth between \$1,200,000 and \$1,400,000.

The entirend capital stock of the bank was only
\$770,000.

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There is a tract of 100 acres of vacant land adjoining Jackson Park on the south side for which the receiver had an offer of \$1,000.000 before the World's Fair. Scattered holdings in Hyde Park, on Blue Island avenue, on the North Side and in New York city constitute the bulk of the remaining assets in the hands of the Receiver.

sination-"Tellow Digh" Combs Arrested - Culton Says To Hasn't Confessed.

Louisville, March 29. "There is only one way for W. S. Taylor to escape from being hanged; that is, becamilting suicide," was the remark made to did by Detective Dee Armstrong, who has been working on the Goebel murder case since the hour Goebel was shot, and who calle to Louisville to-day, have the date of the control ing finished his work. "My work is done," said he. "until I am subportaed to appear in court to give my testiment or to go before the Franklin county Grand Jury. The evidence is now all in the hands of the attorneys for the Commonwealth. The next step is up to them and it wont be long coming."

Further than this Armstrong refused to tak. but from other sources it is learned that Taylor's arrest will probably come in two or three days, probably before the Grand Jury meets, which is next week. Without going into any details, the detectives say that the evidence which has been made public is insignificant compared to that which is in their possession and which is to come at the real trial. Only so much as was needed to hold the prisoners over was introduced at the examining

Culton's alleged confession, the full nature of which has gly been hinted at, has produced a profound impression all over the State and especially near his home in eastern Kentucky. He has been regarded as eminently truthful. suggested certain rules that should hereafter and the meagre hints as to what he told the Commonwealth have caused a greater sensation among those who have scoffed at the idea of such a plot than did the whole story told by Wharton Golden. This feeling, however, will doubtless be arrested to some extent to-morrow when it becomes generally known that Culton sent the following telegram to his father:

"I have made no confession. I had nothing to confess except what I told you and my attorneys."

This remark is said by Culton's father, the Rev. J. N. Cuiton of Richmond, to refer to his bringing the mountain witnesses to Frankfort.

A telegram from Beattyville late this after- | removed by the Commissioner of Parks.

to go over to the Circuit Court, which meets next week.

The Commonwealth says it has a strong case against him. It has been reported that Youtsey owned the gun with which Goebel was killed, which he has since raffled off. He randown the steps into the basement and around into the Governor's offlee immediately atter the shooting, walking stif-legged as if he had a gun barrei down his trousers leg.

The Court of Appeals held a session to-day at the home o' Judge White, refusing to come to the State House owing to the condition of affairs. Gov. Taylor is at his home in Butler county attending the funeral of his sister. It is reported that Gov McMillin of Tennessee has tendered to "Gov." Beckham arms of that state in case he should deem them necessary.

David G. Colson to-day came down voluntarily from the King's Daughters' Hospital to the jail to await his trial. His shattered hand hung by his side and his face was haggard.

RICHMOND, Ky. March 29.—It is denied here that W. H. Culton made any confession to the attorneys for the prosecution corroborating Golden's testimony and implicating other Republicans in the alleged conspiracy as published in yesterday's Frankfort despatches.

The denial comes from Rey. J. N. Culton, father of the accused, who resides in this city. He exhibited a telegram received this afternoon from his son, the substance of which was: "I have made no confession. I have nothing to confess."

to confess." Mr. Culton is angry at what he characterized as "the attempt of certain newspapers" to drag his son into the alleged conspiracy.

# MAY STOP "THE DEGENERATES."

## Mrs. Langtry's Play Must Be Immoral. PITTSBURG, March 29 - Mayor W. J. Diehl has decided that from all accounts Mrs. Langtry's

play. "The Degenerates," is immoral, and that it must either be heavily censored before its production here or not be played at all. He and Director gossips said that Mr. Sheehan's defeat on right, under his police powers. The only resource

so as to avoid trouble.

# KIARSARGE GOES TO SEA,

Admiral Sampson on Board to Watch the Work of Superposed Turrets.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 29,-The battleship Kearsarge left Old Point Comfort this morning and was taken to sea by Capt. Folger for the purpose of testing the superposed turrets and to get the crew used to the ship and her machinery. On board as a guest of Capt. Folger is Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson, who was responsible for the introduction of the turrets in the Navy; Naval Constructor J. J. Woodward, Capt. C. M. Chester, who will command the Kentucky, sister of the Kearsarge, and other naval officers from this station. The Kearsarge will take a run up the coast and will probably return to-morrowing ht or Saturday morning.

Capt. Folger expects to get the crew in shape for the final acceptance trial, which will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday. Some members of the Naval Board are at the navy yard now inspecting the warships being overhauled there. and her machinery. On board as a guest of

Jury Will Take the Horlocker Case To-Day. Hastings, Neb., March 29.-The sudden illness this afternoon of Judge Ragan, chief counsel for Viola Horlocker, delayed the actual close of the poison trial. It was decided to give the jurymen their liberty to-night and permit them to begin deliberations to-morrow morn-ing.

. Latest Marine Intelligence. ARRIVED. 54 Germanic, Haddock, Liverpool, March 31

# DENMARK PUTS UP THE PRICE.

The Only Hitch in the Negotiations for the Purchase of Danish West Indies. WASHINGTON, March 29.- The only hitch in the negotiations looking to the purchase by

the United States of the Danish West Indies from Denmark concerns the price to be paid for the new territory. The bill, introduced by Representative Gardner of New Jersey, providing for the payment of \$4,000,000 for the islands, is believed to have caused the Danish

The statement is now made that the option offered to the United States for the purchase of the territory will continue only as long as the present session of Congress, but the statement is not absolutely confirmed. Incidentally it is held that the rumors of Germany's intention of buying the islands will prove groundless. for the reason that the Monroe Doctrine would prevent such an action by a European power. No difficulty is anticipated in securing the necessary appropriation from Congress to purchase the islands, as the amount will be specifled in the treaty and the ratification of the convention will presuppose the passage of the required appropriation bill.

## CLEARANCE OF PARK STATUES? New Rules Adopted by the Park Board

Which Authorize It. At the meeting of the Park Board yesterday, President Clausen called attention to the unusual number of busts, statues and other memorials that have been placed in the parks and govern the acceptance of such gifts. The rules which were adopted were in substance as follows:

No statue, bust or memorial building shall be erected in any part of any park where the scenery is of a predominating natural character, and statues shall be placed only as adjuncts to buildings, bridges or viaducts'

Statues of great national, civic or universal interest and of great artistic beauty may be placed in any of the small parks at the intersection of two or more avenues.

No existing natural scenery, rock, woodland, drive or lawn shall be destoyed or altered to accommodate any statue or memorial. No statuary, however satisfactory as a work of art, shall be accepted unless it will help to

heighten the beauty of the landscape. Statuary and structures already in the parks, if not placed in conformity with these rules, may, if condemned by the Art Commission, be

## CONGRESSMAN IN A STREET FIGHT. The Hon. George W. Faris Whipped in a Public Mix-up in Terre Haute.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 29 -Congressman George W. Faris was whipped in a street fight this afternoon by Horace C. Pugh, who had been classed as of the Faris faction in the Republican ranks here, where there has been a bitter quarrel for several years. The Congressman recently withdrew as a candidate for renomination, much to the surprise of his friends. The public story at the time was that he withdrew because he feared the opposition of Collector of Internal Revenue Henry, who was at the head of the other faction. Immediately after his withdrawal James S. Barcus, who formerly lived in this part of the State, but of late years has been in the publishing business in New York city, announced his candidacy for the nomination. He has been making a pushing fight for it since. This was followed by the story that Faris's withdrawal

was part of a deal with Barcus. said about the story, whereupon the Congressman struck Pugh twice before the latter realsed that the Congressman was even angry. Then the scrap was on in earnest and it continued for several minutes, no one offering to separate the fighters. In the end Faris was the more severely injured of the two and went away bleeding freely. Neither man will talk about the affair.

# CARNEGIE DIRECTOR'S FAST TRIP. Rushing Across the Continent in a Special Train to Attend Saturday's Meeting.

DENVER, Col., March 29. A special train of the Santa Fe road is being rushed across the continent at the highest possible speed in order Carnegie Steel Company, may arrive in Pittsburg in time to attend the annual meeting of

the directors at noon on Saturday. The train left Los Angeles at 10 o'clock on Cuesday night and passed through La Junta at 11:80 o'clock last night, making the run of 1,256 miles in twenty-five and one-half hours. The special stopped at La Junta to change engines and at 11:45 o'clock shot out with a great spurt, pulled by one of the fastest locomotives on the division and made the run to Bodge City, Kan., 203 miles, in 207 minutes, reaching that point at 3:12 o'clock this morning. The next spurt was to Newton, a distance of 167 miles, which was made in 163 minutes, reaching that station at 7:13 o'clock, making over seventy miles an hour in spurts on the run where the conditions favored such speed.

It is estimated that, at the rate at which the special has been run so far. Mr. Peacock will be landed in Pitusburg on Friday night, thereby making one of the best long distance runs that has yet been made across the country. at 11:80 o'clock last night, making the run of

# Officers Hurrying to Richmond, Va., With a

Negro to Escape a Mob. RICHMOND, Va., March 29 - Emanuel Morton colored, who killed William Sneed, a white citizen, at Clover on Feb. 4. was sentenced to eighteen years' imprisonment at Halifax Court House to-day. Public opinion disapproved this and great excitement followed. At 5:30 o'clock this afternoon the Sheriff and deputies took the afternoon the Sheriii and deputies took
the prisoner out of jail and left the town with
him in a close hack to prevent mob violence.
The officers were armed with rifles and pistols
and will probably escape trouble if they succeed in getting by Clover, where the murdered
man lived. They will take the train for Richmond at some nearby station and the train will
pass Clover late to-night.

### Mrs. Hyland's Relatives Say She Was Born in Ireland in 1797.

Mrs. Mary Cleary Hyland died at her home. 267 Scotland street, Orange, on Wednesday night. Her relatives say she was 103 years old, having been born in Ireland in 1797. Mrs. old, having been born in freiand in 1797. Mrs. Hyland came to this country when very young. She was married flity years ago to Bernard Hyland. He died about fliteen years ago. Mrs. Hyland was employed by Peter Gernerb in Orange a half century ago, and it is generally believed that her ago as given by her relatives is correct. The woman always enjoyed good health and was seldom sick. She walked about her house only a few days ago and at that time said she felt very well. About a year ago she became totally blind.

# Rebel Chief Going to a Ball in Mantla.

of the transport Garonne, which arrived from Manila last night after ten days' stop at Nagasaki and Yokohama, says that while Aguin-akio's whereabouts are unknown to the United States troops, the slippery insurgent chief is able to get into Manila in disgues, and at-tended a masked ball in Manila on New Year's

# BIG FRANCHISE VALUATIONS

THOSE IN NEW YORK CITY AGGRES GATE \$260,573,006.

Metropolitan's Franchise Valued at 869,. 068,930, Manhattan's at \$55,499,300, and Others in Proportion - On Every Four Millions of Valuation the Tax Is \$100,000 Hearings to Be Given on April

10, Then Final Valu. ... ions Will Be Fixed.

ALBANY, March 29.- The State Tax Commission to-day made public the valuations fixed under the Special Franchise Tax law upon the corporations in New York city which come under its provisions. Heretofore locally these corporations have been assessed at \$70.918.025. The State Commission under the new law increases this assessment by \$189.-654,981. This increase means that the corporations in New York city, affected by this law, will be called upon to pay an additional tax of about \$4,500,000. Of course these assessments are subject to review by the commission after the corporations have been heard, when the final valuations will be fixed. Then the courts may be called upon to intervene, whose decisions may also cause a reduction in such valuations. but it is safe to estimate that in any event the law will produce a tax of over \$3,000,000, which is thought to be an excellent showing

for the first year of its existence. The following are the valuations found upon the larger corporations, and the last assess-

	Last	Franchis
Corporations.	Assessment.	Valuation
Brooklyn Heights system	\$7,660,000	\$30,766,77
Manhattan Elevated	27,945,000	55,499,30
Metropolitan system	5,030,000	62,058,93
Third Avenue system	2.174,750	19,728,14
Harlem Steam	4,175,000	12,192,00
Brooklyn Union Gas	2,865,000	9,516,17
Consolidated Gas.	5,635,000	15,828,66
Standard Gas.	1,419,000	3,439,71
New York Mutual Gas		2.703.1
New Amsterdam Gas. Edison Electric of New	1,775,000	5,561.70
York	2,404,000	9,111,21
Miscellaneous corpora-	9,100,275	34,157,18

\$70,918,025 \$260,573,006 Totals. \$70.918.025 \$260.573.006
After the hearings which will be given to the above list of corporations the final valuations will be fixed and determined and certified to the Department of Taxes and Assessments in New York city and will be entered upon the books in that department before May I, according to the new Schedule bill signed by the Governor to-day, and the taxes will be collected upon these valuations the same as upon other properties in the city of New York. The next two weeks will be devoted by the State Tax Commission to hearings of arguments and receipt of affidavits in relation to the New York city valuations.

BUFFALO CITY

Corporations.

Last assessment.

Bell Telephone Company of Buffalo Buffalo Gas Company Buffalo Natural Gas Fuel 275,000 1,342,198 Company Buffalo and Rock City Pipe 8,100 18,100 Cataract Power and Conduit Company 5.000
Buffalo Railway Company 710,540
Buffalo Traction Company 152,180
Crossown Street Railway Company 550,575 2,455,735 Company Buffelo General Electric 298,735 1,875,622 Company .. ROCHESTER CITY. Brush Electric LightCom-pany \$10,475 Central Light and Power \$350,500 Company Citizens' Light and Power

76,000 25.000 ter Gas and Elecfe Company chester Hallway Com-394,175 Pany 394,175 Rochester and Lake On-tario Rallway 17,000

The total valuations in Buffalo are \$13,598,-430, and in Rochester, \$1,544,520. HUNG, HEAD DOWN, FOR HOURS,

# One Foot Caught in the Wire Fence.

St. Louis, Mo., March 29.-James Johnson 44 years old, was walking along the edge of a cliff near the quarry of the H. Ruecking Construction Company, at the foot of Osage street last night or early this morning, when he ran

last night or early this morning, when he ran against a barbed wire fence, stumbled and fell over the edge. Fortunately a strand of wire caught and held one foot. Here he swung, head down, the rest of the night, unable to release himself. Had he succeeded in doing so, he would probably have been killed by the fall on the rocks at the bottom.

This morning one of the quarrymen discovered the body. A telephone message was sent to an engine house and a hook and la ider company responded. A ladder was run up and a fireman fastened a rope that had been lowered from above around the waist of Johnson, and he was hauled up. He was unconscious and his head was swollen to an abnormal size from the accumulation of blood there, due to the position in which he hung for several hours. He was taken to the hospital, where the physicians said he would recover.

HOUSES OVER A MINE SAG. Consternation at Night in Shenandoah, Pa. Over a Slight Cave-in.

SHENANDOAH, Pa., March 29.-About 3 o'clock this morning nearly all the residents of Line street for two squares between Jardin and Chestnut streets, in the northwestern part of town, awoke terrified by a sudden parring and cracking of the walls of their houses and the falling of plaster. The occupants being

the falling of plaster. The occupants being miners and their families took in the situation at a plance and fled from the buildings, most of them not taking time to dress. Some of the women went into hysteries.

The disturbance was caused by the caving in of a part of the old workings of the Mammoth vein of the Kehley Run Colliery, operated by the Thomas Coal Company. In some of the buildings the Joors and windows could not be opened, and the cries of the occupants to be released from being buried alive were pitiful. More than a dozen buildings were drawn away four and five inches from their foundation walls. Mine officials say the danger is past, but some of the residents cannot be persuaded to return to their homes.

# RAPID TRANSIT FOR BROOKLYN

Be Started in Six or Eight Months. At the annual dinner of the Hanover Club in Williamsburg last night Comptroller Coler

"I can say without violating any confidences that the Rapid Transit Commission intends by a labelieve it is not an idle statement for me to make if I say that work will be under way for a tuenel from Manhattan to Brooklyn within six or eight months. This proposed tunnel will not cost the taxpayers one cent to build. I was told to-day by a railroad man of Brooklyn that his company was prepared to make a better bid for the tunnel than that accepted for the one in Manhattan. They want it as a connection to their railroad system. "They tell me that I am talking too much. Perhaps I am I feel satisfied if you only get thinking good will be done, even though I am destroyed, as they have predicted I would be. In fact, I don't care if I am destroyed as long as good results come." yn. I believe it is not an idle statement for me

# HARTFORD, Conn., March 29.-For the first time within the remembrance of local fox

hunters a fox turned on his pursuers to-day. Fred Hotchkiss, Duffy Warren. Frank Chickey and William Miles of Farmington formed the hunting party and their dog started a fox near the day and william Miles of Farmington formed the hunting party and their dog started a fox near that town soon after they had started. The party had separated and the fox was almost run down by the dog when it came upon the celebrate Polaris Surengs at Boonville, on the R. W. 40. Division, in the foot hills of the Adirondaek Mountains, and is absolutely pure.—Ads.